



**Legislative Assembly
Province of Alberta**

No. 49

VOTES AND PROCEEDINGS

First Session

Twenty-Sixth Legislature

Thursday, November 24, 2005

The Speaker took the Chair at 1:30 p.m.

The Speaker made a statement and a moment of silence was observed in recognition of a Canadian soldier killed and four soldiers injured in the line of duty today in Afghanistan.

Members' Statements

Mr. Backs, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning, made a statement regarding the Edmonton Eskimos and the Grey Cup Championship taking place in Vancouver, British Columbia, on November 27, 2005.

Mr. Oberle, Hon. Member for Peace River, made a statement regarding the rate of use of food banks in Alberta.

Mrs. Tarchuk, Hon. Member for Banff-Cochrane, made a statement regarding the Alberta Centennial World Cup cross-country skiing championship to be held in Canmore December 15-18, 2005.

Mr. Tougas, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark, made a statement regarding problem gambling and addiction to video lottery terminals.

Mr. Danyluk, Hon. Member for Lac La Biche-St. Paul, made a statement regarding the 2005 Alberta Youth Advisory Panel.

Dr. Pannu, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Strathcona, made a statement regarding the high cost of post-secondary tuition.

Speaker's Comment

The Speaker commented that on this day in 1997, Thelma Chalifoux began her term as a Senator. Born in Calgary, she became the first Aboriginal woman as well as the first Métis ever appointed to the Senate of Canada. A longtime advocate of Métis culture, Senator Chalifoux was the first Métis woman to receive the National Aboriginal Achievement Award in 1995. This respected woman served on the boards of several organizations as well as the University of Alberta Senate. She retired from the Senate of Canada on February 8, 2004, at the age of 75, and now spends time with her family and is very active in the community of Morinville.

Presenting Petitions

Mr. Eggen, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Calder, presented a petition from 329 Albertans requesting the Government introduce legislation declaring a moratorium on any future expansion of confined feeding operations with a view to phasing out existing operations within the next three years.

Mr. Elsalhy, Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung, presented a petition from 50 Albertans urging the Government to require school boards to eliminate all fees for instructional supplies and general school services and to ensure that the necessary resources for these supplies and services are provided.

Notices of Motions

Pursuant to Standing Order 34(2)(a), Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, gave oral notice of the following Written Questions and Motions for Returns to be dealt with Monday, November 28, 2005:

Written Questions: Stand and retain their places.

Motions for Returns: MR49, MR50.

Hon. Mr. Mar, Minister of Community Development, gave oral notice of his intention to introduce the following Bill on Monday, November 28, 2005:

Bill 58 Alberta Centennial Medal Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Mar

Introduction of Bills (First Reading)

Upon recommendation of His Honour the Honourable the Lieutenant Governor, and notice having been given:

- Bill 51 Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2005 (No. 2) (\$) — Hon. Mrs. McClellan
- Bill 54 Alberta Centennial Education Savings Plan Amendment Act, 2005 (\$) — Hon. Mr. Hancock

Notice having been given:

- Bill 55 Post-secondary Learning Amendment Act, 2005 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Hancock
- Bill 56 Business Corporations Amendment Act, 2005 (No. 2) — Dr. Brown
- Bill 57 Apprenticeship and Industry Training Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Hancock
- Bill 210 School (Property Tax Reduction) Amendment Act, 2005 — Mr. Marz
- Bill 211 Alberta Commission on Energy Efficiency Act — Mr. Eggen

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the following Bill was placed on the Order Paper under Government Bills and Orders:

- Bill 56 Business Corporations Amendment Act, 2005 (No. 2) — Dr. Brown

Tabling Returns and Reports

Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Finance:

Letter dated November 23, 2005, from Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Finance, to Mr. MacDonald, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Gold Bar, responding to Mr. MacDonald's questions about the calculation of the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund inflation-proofing amount

Sessional Paper 698/2005

Letter dated November 23, 2005, from William S. Rice, Chair and Chief Executive Officer, Alberta Securities Commission, to Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Finance, providing a chronology of the events surrounding the breach of policy by the Director of Enforcement, Alberta Securities Commission

Sessional Paper 699/2005

Letter dated November 24, 2005, from Hon. Mrs. McClellan, Minister of Finance, to Mr. Mason, Hon. Leader of the New Democrat Opposition, responding to comments made by Mr. Mason during Oral Question Period on November 23, 2005, regarding a settlement between West Edmonton Mall and ATB Financial

Sessional Paper 700/2005

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Minister of Advanced Education:

Campus Alberta Quality Council, First Annual Report, July 1, 2004 - March 31, 2005

Sessional Paper 701/2005

Mr. Martin, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview, on behalf of Mr. Mason, Hon. Leader of the New Democrat Opposition:

Letter dated November 15, 2005, from Mary Roberts of Lethbridge to Hon. Ms Evans, Minister of Health and Wellness, expressing concern regarding continuing care facilities in Lethbridge

Sessional Paper 702/2005

Dr. Miller, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Glenora:

Office of the Auditor General of Canada website news release, undated, entitled "Report of the Auditor General of Canada, Royal Canadian Mounted Police - Contract Policing"

Sessional Paper 703/2005

Mr. Agnihotri, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie:

E-mail message dated November 23, 2005, from Cam Holowaychuk of Edmonton to Mr. Agnihotri, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Ellerslie, with several attached recent e-mail messages and letters, all expressing concern regarding, and opposition to the Anthony Henday ring road

Sessional Paper 704/2005

Mr. Tougas, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Meadowlark:

Pamphlet, undated, entitled "First Nations are First Occupants of This Country" prepared by the Bigstone Cree Nation

Sessional Paper 705/2005

Mr. Miller, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford:

E-mail message dated November 23, 2005, from Cliff Haberstock of Edmonton to Mr. Miller, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, expressing disappointment that the government-sponsored furnace replacement program is no longer in effect

Sessional Paper 706/2005

Letter dated October 21, 2005, from Kirsten Warner of Edmonton to a Member of the Legislative Assembly expressing concern regarding her auto insurance rates

Sessional Paper 707/2005

Letter dated November 23, 2005, from Nicholas Janik, unsigned, to Members of the Legislative Assembly expressing concern regarding the unfunded liability for teachers' pensions and other issues faced by teachers

Sessional Paper 708/2005

Letter dated November 23, 2005, from Mariola Adamowska, unsigned, to Mr. Miller, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, with attached letter dated May 2003 to Hon. Mr. Klein, Premier, expressing concern regarding the unfunded liability for teachers' pensions and other issues and financial burdens faced by teachers

Sessional Paper 709/2005

2 e-mail messages dated November 23, 2005, from Janice Hrdlicka and Ed Harasem, to Mr. Miller, Hon. Member for Edmonton-Rutherford, expressing opposition to the unfunded liability for teachers' pensions

Sessional Paper 710/2005

Mr. Flaherty, Hon. Member for St. Albert:

Letter dated November 23, 2005, from Dr. Taft, Hon. Leader of the Official Opposition, to Hugh Campbell, President and Chief Executive Officer, Edmonton Eskimos Football Club, congratulating the organization on a tremendous season

Sessional Paper 711/2005

Mr. Oberle, Hon. Member for Peace River:

Report dated October 2005 entitled "Time for Action, Hunger Count 2005" prepared by the Canadian Association of Food Banks

Sessional Paper 712/2005

Tablings to the Clerk

Clerk of the Assembly on behalf of Hon. Dr. Oberg, Minister of Infrastructure and Transportation:

Return to Order of the Assembly MR48, asked for by Mr. Elsalhy on behalf of Mr. Chase on November 21, 2005:

A breakdown of the total costs related to the production of the McDermid Report "Saving Lives on Alberta's Roads," including the costs of all remuneration, administrative and research support, space rental or leasing, equipment and supplies, travel expenses, document design and printing, and advertising or promotion.

Sessional Paper 713/2005

Projected Government Business

Pursuant to Standing Order 7(5), Mr. Miller, Acting Official Opposition House Leader, asked a question pertaining to the order of Government Business to be brought before the Assembly for the following week.

Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, gave notice of projected Government Business for the week of November 28 to December 1, 2005:

Monday, November 28	9:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Government Motions Motion 25 Government Bills and Orders / Private Bills Second Reading Bill 51, 54, 55, 56, 57, Pr4 Committee of the Whole Bill 47, Pr4 And as per the Order Paper
Tuesday, November 29	Aft.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction of Bills Bill 52 Government Bills and Orders Committee of the Whole Bill 51 Second Reading As per the Order Paper And as per the Order Paper
	Eve.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Government Bills and Orders Committee of the Whole Bill 51 As per the Order Paper Second Reading / Committee of the Whole As per the Order Paper And as per the Order Paper
Wednesday, November 30	Aft.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Government Bills and Orders Third Reading Bill 51 Committee of the Whole / Third Reading As per the Order Paper And as the per the Order Paper

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Thursday, December 1	Aft.	-	Government Bills and Orders Third Reading As per the Order Paper Royal Assent And as per the Order Paper

ORDERS OF THE DAY

Government Bills and Orders

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, and the Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker assumed the Chair.

The following Bill was reported:

Bill 50 Workers' Compensation Amendment Act, 2005 (No. 2) — Mr. Magnus

Mr. Danyluk, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of all amendments considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 50 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Manning) — Defeated
Sessional Paper 714/2005

Amendment to Bill 50 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview) —
Defeated
Sessional Paper 715/2005

Third Reading

The following Bills were read a Third time and passed:

Bill 48 Justice of the Peace Amendment Act, 2005 — Hon. Mr. Hancock on behalf
Hon. Mr. Stevens

Bill 50 Workers' Compensation Amendment Act, 2005 (No. 2) — Mr. Magnus

Committee of the Whole

According to Order, the Assembly resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, and the Deputy Speaker left the Chair.

(Assembly in Committee)

And after some time spent therein, the Deputy Speaker resumed the Chair.

The following Bills were reported:

Bill 46 Criminal Notoriety Act — Mrs. Jablonski

Bill 49 Police Amendment Act, 2005 (No. 2) — Hon. Mr. Cenaiko

Progress was reported on the following Bill:

Bill 47 Alberta Association of Former MLAs Act — Mr. Johnson

Mr. Johnson, Acting Chair of Committees, tabled copies of an amendment considered by Committee of the Whole on this date for the official records of the Assembly.

Amendment to Bill 47 (Hon. Member for Edmonton-McClung) — Debate
adjourned

Sessional Paper 716/2005

Adjournment

On motion by Hon. Mr. Hancock, Government House Leader, the Assembly adjourned at 5:25 p.m. until Monday, November 28, 2005, at 1:30 p.m.

Hon. Ken Kowalski,
Speaker

Title: Thursday, November 24, 2005